

# INQUIRY OPENS AS 11 DIE IN PLANE CRASH

## Jury Here Indicts Billie Bell's Mate

## NEW ANGLE IN FORGERY CASE IS DEVELOPED

Husband of Woman Confessing Crimes Charged Against Mrs. Nellie Harvey Billed on Forgery Count—Wilbarger Jurors Complete Investigation.

Northwest Texas' most famous forgery case in recent years was suddenly reopened here Tuesday as the Wilbarger County grand jury returned an indictment of forgery against Edward A. Bell, an inmate of the Arkansas State prison at Gould, Ark.

The case, which has aroused widespread comment in this section, was first brought to the attention of the public when Sheriff E. P. Williams of Wilbarger County arrested Mrs. Nellie Harvey last July 29 in Dallas and later returned her to Vernon for trial on charges of forgery.

Given Sentences.

Mrs. Harvey was found guilty by a jury in Forty-sixth District Court here and was given sentences of two and three years, respectively, on each of the two charges. Similar charges had been filed against her in many other Texas counties and she was awaiting trial in Falls County when her attorney, J. Earl Kuntz of Wichita Falls, announced Mrs. Billie Bell, an inmate of an Arkansas State prison, had admitted forgeries with which Mrs. Harvey was charged. Mrs. Bell is the wife of the Edward A. Bell who was indicted here Tuesday.

Charges against Mrs. Harvey were reported dropped in many counties after Mrs. Bell's confession was verified and Mrs. Bell was returned to Texas to face charges of forgery. District Attorney Owens, however, refused to recommend clemency for Mrs. Harvey on her convictions here after witnesses who had identified Mrs. Harvey at the trial here had failed to identify Mrs. Bell.

Developments presented to the grand jury here came as the result of an investigation by Sheriff Williams covering a period of several weeks and during which he visited Beaumont, where Mr. and Mrs. Bell were arrested for Arkansas authorities; Dallas, where Mrs. Harvey was first arrested; Kountze, the birthplace of Mrs. Bell; Beeville, the home of Mrs. Bell's father, Tom Blaize, Sartoris, the home of a daughter of Mrs. Bell; Mrs. Billie Derg Shepherd; Fort Worth, Austin, Houston, Wharton, Edna and other points in Texas.

New Links Found.

Evidence discovered on this trip, Mr. Williams stated, indicated Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. Bell and Mr. Bell were implicated together in the forgeries, and that many other persons would be implicated before the close of the investigation of what he described as "one of the largest forgery rings in this section of the country."

Handwriting experts from the State Department of Safety, according to Mr. Williams and Mr. Owens, have stated each of several checks cashed here bore endorsements allegedly by Mrs. Harvey and Mr. Bell.

"Before this case is closed Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. Bell, Mr. Bell and others will be brought to Vernon to explain evidence we have discovered within the last few days," Sheriff Williams added.

GRAND JURY RETURNS 15 BILLS IN JANUARY TERM

Fifteen indictments against 18 individuals were returned by the grand jury for the January term of Forty-Sixth District Court in Wilbarger County, according to the jury's report late Tuesday afternoon to District Judge W. N. Stokes. No bills in these cases involving five individuals were reported.

The jury returned seven bills against nine persons before recessing Jan. 7 after a four-day session. The last eight bills were returned Monday and Tuesday.

Arrests had not been made Wednesday morning in four indictments charging removal of mortgaged property, forgery, wife desertion, and receiving and concealing.

The indictments returned in the two-day session this week included: Corlester Lane and Calvin Woods, theft; Corlester Lane and LeRoy Woods, theft; E. P. Speck, forgery; and Edward A. Bell, forgery.

FEDERAL GRAND JURY TO HOLD SESSION MARCH 12

Phoenix, Ariz., Feb. 10. (P)—Judge Dave W. Ling Wednesday called the Federal grand jury into session March 12 to consider a number of cases including that of James C. Douglas, alias William C. Douglas, charged with conspiracy to defraud Paul Sawyer of Holdredge, Neb., in an alleged horse race betting scheme.

DEFICIENCY-RELIEF BILL IS SIGNED BY PRESIDENT

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### Deserts Suitor



### NEW ECONOMY FOR FARMING PLAINS URGED

Prompt Action on National Program To Halt Deterioration of Middle West Land Recommended in Report of Drouth Committee.

Washington, Feb. 10. (P)—The President's Great Plains Committee asked Congress today to set up a special Federal agency to direct a vast, longtime rehabilitation program for the Prairie States, scene of drouth devastation and dust storms.

It called for a permanent change in agricultural methods of the region, with conservation of land and water the principal objectives.

"If economic deterioration of the Great Plains region is to be stopped, it will be only because the Nation takes the situation in hand promptly, emphatically and completely," said the commission in a 134-page report to the President. He transmitted it to Congress.

Covers Wide Area.

The area involved covers much of the land between the Mississippi River and the Rocky Mountains from Canada to Mexico. Morris Cooke, who recently resigned as Rural Electrification Administrator, is chairman of the committee.

The committee was "arresting the decline of an agricultural economy not adapted to the climate conditions and of readjusting this economy in the light of experience and scientific information now available."

"The time has come to recognize frankly not only the great natural assets of the region but also its serious liabilities and to substitute intelligent adjustment to nature for futile attempts to conquer her," the report said.

Among methods proposed were:

Acquisition of millions of acres of land by public agencies to prevent misuse and to start reclamations.

Federal and State legislation to assure farming methods adapted to the area.

Increase in sizes of many farms to too small to maintain families.

Consolidation of local Government units.

Immediate surveys to determine prairie land that should be regrassed, prairie land that may be tilled, and prairie land that should retain natural cover.

Extension of cooperative grazing associations.

Consolidate Work.

The committee said the new Federal agency would prevent overlapping and confusion that now exists with 50 Federal agencies and many more State and local units dealing with the problems.

The new agency should not displace existing agencies or assume any administrative control over the normal operations of those bodies, the experts said.

"It's time should be that of a continuing study of the Great Plains problem and of endeavoring by consultation, education, persuasion and guidance to integrate the effort of all forces."

The Plains can be transformed from a risky adventure and a recurrent liability into a stable basis of economic and social profit to their inhabitants and the whole country," the committee said.

This will take a long time. It added, and said 10 years would be needed for additional investigations and surveys.

### DEATH TAKES VERNON WOMAN

#### MRS. J. L. WAGGONER DIES AT HOME HERE AFTER HEART ATTACK

Mrs. J. L. Waggoner, 46, died after a heart attack late Tuesday afternoon at her home, 3531 Texas Street. She became ill a few months ago, but apparently had recovered and had not been confined to her bed the past several weeks.

Funeral arrangements await the arrival of relatives from California. Plans for the services will be directed by the Underwood Funeral Home.

Mrs. Waggoner, a resident of Vernon the past several months, is survived by her husband; six children, Miss Lillie Waggoner and Cleo Waggoner of Los Angeles; John, Jr., Ronnie Joe, Mattie Faye, and Sue Carroll Waggoner of Vernon; a brother, E. Andrews of St. Louis; and four half-sisters, Mrs. Bob Robinson and Mrs. Elizabeth Dorris of Vernon, and Mrs. J. J. Jackson and Mrs. Bob Ballew of California.

Mrs. Waggoner and family came to Vernon from Pie Town, N. M. She was a native of Texas, residing in New Mexico. Mrs. Waggoner was a member of the Christian Church.

#### NEW WAR MINISTER FOR JAPANESE CABINET NAMED

Tokyo, Feb. 10. (P)—Lieutenant General Kotaro Nakamura resigned Tuesday as Minister of War in the newly-formed cabinet of Premier Enyu Hayashi because of ill health. His illness was diagnosed as typhoid fever. He was succeeded by Lieutenant General Sugiyama, former vice-chief of staff of the Japanese Army.

General Sugiyama is generally considered one of the strongest "big army" men in Japan.

#### DOCTOR FINDS STUDENTS OFFER REAL COMPETITION

Norman, Okla., Feb. 10. (P)—The youngsters no longer stare at Dr. J. N. Harber, middle-aged millionaire, in the classrooms of the University of Oklahoma, but they give him plenty of competition.

"Oh, yes, like it here," the physician who received his degree more than 20 years ago, said today, "but it's pretty hard for me to get started again."

Dr. Harber enrolled in a heavy course last week as an unclassified student after he resigned as mayor of Seminole, Okla., a post he had held for 10 years.

He doesn't know how long he will be here.

#### WOMAN COMPANION OF MATTSON SUSPECT SOUGHT

Seattle, Feb. 10. (P)—State Patrol Chief William Cole, who last night announced the arrest of a man in connection with the Mattson kidnapping, left his Olympia office early today to get a "red haired woman," reputed recent companion of the man, and bring her here for questioning.

Cole said he expected to pick up the woman at Stellacoom, near Tacoma, and that questioning her might shed further light on the prisoner's activities.

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#### INCOME TAX COLLECTOR TO VISIT CITY MARCH 8-9

M. M. Rudd of the office of the Collector of Internal Revenue at Dallas will be at the First State Bank in Vernon March 8 and 9 to assist Vernon residents in filling out income tax returns, according to word received here. Mr. Rudd will be at the bank between the hours of 8:30 a. m. and 4 p. m. and anyone desiring his assistance may call on him during this period.

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ENGLAND FACES WORST FLOOD IN 25 YEARS

London, Feb. 10. (P)—The worst floods in a quarter of a century were predicted today as steadily rising rivers, spurred by unceasing rains, submersed wider sections of England and France.

More heavy rain was forecast for both countries. Swollen rivers drove inhabitants from their homes in lowlands, and in some places, flood tides rose in city streets to the rooftops of dwellings.

Parts of 13 counties in Southern England were flooded. Thousands of acres of farmland land were inundated and large numbers of householders were forced to flee their homes along several stretches of the Thames River.

Flood waters from the Thames, a mile wide at Rannymede, near Windsor, and almost as wide at Eton, continued to spread. Eton College boys fed swans from upper windows of their school buildings.

Northern France and Normandy were hardest hit.

The possibility grew that Paris, where the flood stage of the Seine is 14 feet, might be endangered unless the downpours abated.

ed in opposition to the President's program, appointed Representative Cox of Georgia Chairman of a steering committee to line up other members.

#### OHIO REPRESENTATIVE OPENS ATTACK IN HOUSE

Washington, Feb. 10. (P)—In the first burst of Democratic opposition on the House floor to President Roosevelt's court reform program, Representative Lamneck, Democrat of Ohio, suggested today it might lead to a Hitler, a Mussolini or a Stalin government.

Lamneck spoke shortly before the House planned to take up a bill for retirement of Supreme Court judges at 70—a part of the judiciary reform plan recommended by Mr. Roosevelt.

"How long," the Ohioan asked, "will we permit the executive branch of Government to do our立法 for us?"

"I hope the time has arrived when we will meet this challenge to the usurping of our powers and duties and serve notice that we intend to insist that the executive occupy his position, and that the legislative branch of Government will do the job the Constitution intended it to do."

In addition to the donations of cash, citizens of this county contributed hundreds of pieces of clothing, bedding and other items for the comfort of flood sufferers.

### Believed Tail



### HOPES MOUNT FOR END OF AUTO STRIKE

General Motors and Labor Chiefs Believed Nearing Agreement on Settlement—Conference Enters Second Week.

Detroit, Feb. 10. (P)—Hopes for a conclusion of the prolonged General Motors strike rose today as the conference between corporation and union representatives entered its second week.

Governor Frank Murphy asserted "not a great deal separates them now" as he announced the group of eight men would hold their thirteenth session today.

Just after midnight, when the previous meeting ended after more than three hours of discussion, a source close to the parley said it was proceeding "along more definite lines" and that the situation had been "clarified considerably."

Unofficial information was that the one gap still to be closed was the issue of the extent to which General Motors would recognize the United Automobile Workers of America as the collective bargaining agency of its workers.

President Roosevelt revealed Tuesday afternoon that he had talked last week with the heads of the two General Motors executive vice-president, and John L. Lewis, director general of the strike, and Governor Murphy.

The President was represented as having urged them to settle the dispute quickly. It was indicated Mr. Roosevelt was maintaining his neutrality in the conflict.

The Chrysler Corporation today announced a wage increase which it said would "approximate \$18,000,000 to \$14,000,000 a year." Chrysler has about 70,000 employees.

Estimates based upon an increase last June placed the average of the new one at 10 per cent for each employee.

LEWIS DELAYS PARLEY FOR TALK WITH UNION BOARD

Detroit, Feb. 10. (P)—John L. Lewis, director-general of strikes against General Motors automotive units, and the board of strategy of the United Automobile Workers of America met today in a possibly significant session that delayed the opening of the thirteenth assembly of Governor Frank Murphy's strike conference.

The board of strategy, empowered to call a general strike of all union members employed by General Motors, has the authority to approve a proposal for settlement of the bitter dispute that has halted the corporation's passenger car production.

Negotiators working in constant communication with Washington sought in today's conference to close the last gap separating positions of the union and General Motors representatives who have explored a number of settlement possibilities.

The nose of the plane rammed into the muddy bottom of the bay in about 15 feet of water. Before it sank from sight as a marine derrick and a deep sea diver were preparing to go to the spot.

Observers expressed belief the outgoing tide, which reached low ebb at 5:15 a. m., pulled the 12-ton United Airlines transport under the water.

The bill would boost the tax on oil from 2 3/4 to 4 per cent on value, on carbon black from one-twelfth of a cent to a cent a pound, on natural gas from three per cent of value to one per cent per thousand cubic feet, and on sulphur from \$1.03 to \$2 a ton. The additional annual revenue was calculated by Winfree at "between \$12,000,000 and \$15,000,000."

Under terms of the proposal, the minimum pension grant would be \$18 a month, \$9 from the State and \$9 from the Federal Government. The present average is less than \$16. A person might have property with taxable value up to \$3,000, cash up to \$300, net income up to \$30 a month and gifts from children up to \$200 a year and still be eligible for the \$16 minimum.

## SAFETY PLANS MAPPED HERE

### EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM TO PRESENT PROBLEMS OF DRIVING OUTLINED

## MADRID FACES ODELL FARMERS NEW CRISIS AS REBELS CLOSE IN

(By the Associated Press)

Censored reports, limping over crippled communication lines from Madrid, described today a new crisis in the three months Fascist siege of Spain's capital.

With telephone lines cut by a Fascist assault on the vital road from Madrid to Valencia, meager reports from Madrid by cable included:

1. Fourteen Fascist planes flew over Madrid this morning. Whether they attempted bombardment was not stated.

2. Fierce fighting raged southeast of Madrid for possession of the Valencia road which leads to the seaboard seat of temporary government, with Socialist Government commanders insisting the Fascists had not "physically cut" the road up to last night.

3. Declarations the Government will be able to hold Madrid "indefinitely" came what may of the present fighting, were coupled with contradictory newspaper declarations that "Madrid is in danger" and all reserves must be mobilized anew to stop the Fascists.

Dispatches from the Fascist front outside Madrid, where Tuesday insurgents commanders announced the cutting of the Valencia road, said the besiegers of the city had held their positions on the highway in the face of a bitter counter-attack by Government militiamen.

### MINE WORKERS' MEETING COVERS MANY EMPLOYEES

Washington, Feb. 10. (P)—The wages-and-hours meeting of United Mine Workers and Appalachian soft coal operators, which starts in New York a week from today, will be the world's largest collective bargaining conference.

About 400,000 miners will be affected.

Although the contract applies only to miners in the Appalachian fields, reaching from Central Pennsylvania to Northern Tennessee, all other soft coal miners pay will be based on the resulting agreement.

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ADMISSION 50¢  
Midnight Show Saturday  
And  
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**America Demanded Its Return.**  
**WILL ROGERS**  
**'AMBASSADOR BILL'**

### VERNON

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**ATHEL BURCALOW**  
GIVEN  
15 YEARS AT WICHITA

Wichita Falls, Feb. 10. (P)—Given a 15-year State penitentiary sentence here late Tuesday for robbery with firearms, Athel Burcalow today was to be turned over to officers of Gregg County where he has been indicted on a robbery charge, the Sheriff's Department reported. Burcalow pleaded guilty to a hijacking here Jan. 20 in which a Wichita Falls youth was shot and slightly wounded and his automobile taken.

**HOPE ABANDONED FOR  
PAIR LOST IN AVALANCHE**

Denver, Feb. 10. (P)—Searchers braving sub-zero weather gave up hope today of finding alive two Denver skiers lost along the blizzard-swept continental divide near Berthoud Pass, 40 miles west of here.

"We've given up hope as far as finding them alive," said Grosvenor S. Barron, head of the automotive appliance firm which employed the two, Joseph Oppenheimer, 36, and John S. Oberdorfer, 22.

Meanwhile, three Denver mining men for a time feared missing near Georgia Pass in Central Colorado, remained in the snug cabin refuge where Jim Dawson, veteran prospector, found them safe late Tuesday.

The three were Horace M. Little, 52, Denver mining promoter; Carl Brown, Denver Miner, and an unidentified Alma, Colo., miner.

**TEXAS REPRESENTATIVE  
SEEKS ACTION ON COURT**

Washington, Feb. 10. (P)—Representative Summers, Democrat, Texas, who called for quick action today on two phases of the President's court reorganization plan, is recognized as an authority on the Constitution.

His friends laugh over the title they once gave him—The One-man Constitutional Convention.

After the Philippine Islands were granted independence, Summers was asked to write a Constitution for the new republic. Some Filipinos objected to having their Constitution written in Washington, and the proposal fell through.

**FRENCH ENVOY TO U. S.  
PLANS TRADE DISCUSSION**

Paris, Feb. 10. (P)—France's new ambassador to the United States, Georges Bonnet, left for Washington today with the announcement his main missions would be permanent stabilization of the franc and dollar and extension of trade treaties. The ambassador expects to reach Washington, Feb. 17.

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IN GAS MASK PARTIES**

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## CITY NURSERY FUNDS ASKED

### P.T. A. PETITION URGES CARE OF CHILDREN FOR WORKING MOTHERS

Delegates from the City Council of Parent-Teacher Associations Tuesday afternoon presented a request at a regular meeting of the City Commission that the City provide funds for a nursery, to be conducted for children two to four years of age of working mothers.

No action was taken on the petition, due to a desire expressed by members of the Commission to consider the matter further. The petition will be renewed at a special meeting of the Commission Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The Commissioners transacted routine business and adjourned until Thursday. Commissioners present were R. J. Byars, H. C. Thompson, J. V. Owen and W. W. Jones. City Secretary S. H. Hall was also present.

Mayor H. D. Hockersmith, who was absent from the meeting, is in Austin on business.

### CONNALLY, ROBINSON ARE OPPOSED TO COURT PLAN

Washington, Feb. 9. (AP)—Two administration Senate stalwarts—Robinson of Arkansas and Connally of Texas—expressed disagreement Tuesday with President Roosevelt's court reorganization recommendations.

Robinson, Democratic leader, advocated revision to make the retirement age for judges 75 instead of 70 years.

Connally issued this statement: "I am opposed to an increase in the Supreme Court to 15 judges in the method and under the circumstances proposed."

"In the matter of the inferior courts, I am of the opinion there can be reform in the matter of expediting business and providing for government presentation in cases in which the Government is interested and favor proper action in that regard."

### COURT REFORM PROPOSALS REACH HOUSE AND SENATE

Washington, Feb. 10. (AP)—The House judiciary committee has approved a measure to authorize the Attorney General to participate in lower court cases between private parties where a constitutional question is involved.

The bill—sponsored by Chairman Summers, Democrat, Texas, of the committee—embodies one of the principal proposals in President Roosevelt's broad court reorganization program.

No action was taken today on the other proposals.

Senator Robinson, Democratic leader, advocated a change in the retirement age of judges under the President's program from 70 to 75 years.

**Radio Unit Approved.** Washington, Feb. 10. (AP)—The Communications Commission granted Western Broadcasters, Inc., Clovis, N. M., permission today to operate station KUCA unlimited hours on 1370 kilocycles with 100 watts power, commencing on March 16.

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### Discuss Judiciary Charges



Setting the technical parliamentary future of the bill to enact President Roosevelt's judiciary reorganization, are left to right, Representatives Hatton Summers, chairman of the House judiciary committee; Bertrand Snell, minority leader, and Patrick J. Boland majority whip. Boland predicts the House of Representatives will pass the bill in substantially the form suggested by the President.

### TEXAS HOUSE REOPENS ARGUMENT ON COURTS

Austin, Feb. 10. (AP)—The Texas House of Representatives plunged into additional argument today on President Roosevelt's proposal to increase membership of the United States Supreme Court.

The debate arose over a resolution by Representative Walter E. Jones of Jourdanton stating the House's action Tuesday in not approving a resolution endorsing the President's plan was "not properly or reasonably deducible from such action."

Representative Homer Leonard of McAllen offered a substitute to place the House on record in opposition to the Roosevelt recommendation for a larger Supreme Court. It was Leonard who made the prevailing motion to table the mandatory resolution.

No action was taken before the time for consideration of resolutions expired.

Representative L. M. Kenyon of Galveston, supporting the Leonard substitute, said he saw nothing wrong with the newspaper stories on the House vote.

"We refused to approve the President's program," said Kenyon. "I don't see how we have any complaint at the papers for saying so. Let's go on record as still being for liberty—for those principles of our forefathers. Under this program, a man could become a dictator before the country knew it, if he desired to do so."

### BRIDE'S FATHER DISAPPROVES OF CHILD MARRIAGE AT SPUR

Lubbock, Feb. 10. (AP)—Child marriages do not meet approval of S. A. Lawrence of Spur who today said he would move to annul the marriage of his 14-year-old daughter, Bobbie Ray, and J. T. Wolf, who gave his age as 18 years.

Wolf was jailed on a charge of false swearing and the girl-bride was returned to her father here this morning. Bobbie Ray's sister, Miss Bonnie Lawrence of Lubbock, signed the complaint.

The couple, police were informed last night, left Spur together. The marriage license was obtained here. The ceremony was performed early today at Lorenzo, Lawrence said.

Wolf was held pending posting of \$500 bond.

### Bearkats Advance.

Huntsville, Feb. 10. (AP)—The Sam Houston Bearkats were deadlocked with the Stephen F. Austin Lumberjacks today for the lead in the Lone Star Conference basketball race. The Bearkats slipped into the tie last night with a 23 to 25 victory over the North Texas Teachers. Turner of North Texas was high scorer with nine points.

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## SOCIAL AND CLUB NEWS

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### Club Has Program On International Relations, Peace

Members of the international relations committee had charge of the program for a dinner meeting of the Business & Professional Women's Club Tuesday evening in the banquet room of the Faith Cafe.

Mrs. Doris Leggett, international relations chairman, conducted an interesting round table discussion on the purpose of the International Federation, how the local club could cooperate in its objectives and present topics of interest to all nations. She emphasized the necessity for a better understanding between people of different nations of the world in order to maintain peace.

In conclusion Miss Leggett gave an account of her trip to Washington, D. C., in 1936, when she attended the third triennial conference of Country Women of the World. Representatives from many foreign countries, she said, spoke on the problems confronting their organizations and their nations.

Miss Minnie Ferree, club president, had charge of the business session during which March 9 was set as the date for the club's annual Bosses' Night banquet. This is in line with the current public relations program of the National Federation of BPW. Announcement was also made that the club will celebrate its eleventh anniversary with a birthday party at the next meeting. Miss Doris Leggett, Etta Mae Rogers, and Catherine Haliburton will be hostesses.

Those present for the meeting were Misses Mae Belle Nabers, Etta Mae Rogers, Bernice Webb, Lois Copeland, Minnie Ferree, Myrtle McCroskey, Nina Creager, Doris Leggett, Catherine Haliburton, Mesdames Neva Russell, E. W. Hampton, Verda Albright, Ruby Riperton, and two guests, Mrs. Bernice Parsley and little Miss Kay Summers.

### Party Is Given Monday For Needle Craft Club

Members of the Needle Craft Club of the St. Paul's Lutheran Church were entertained Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Elbert Keilberg, 3310 Wichita Street.

Guests enjoyed games of hearts and other diversions, with high score prize going to Mrs. Ewald Gray and low to Mrs. Raymond Keilberg. The refreshment plate consisted of candy wafers, concealed salad, cake, and hot chocolate topped with marshmallows.

The refreshments were served to Mesdames Arthur Hingst, Raymond Keilberg, Roy Webb, Paul Knesche, Paul Lowke, Henry Lowke, Ralph Pate, J. A. Birnbaum, H. Greschel, Walter Lowke, H. G. Michel, Ewald Grahman, Fred Frielung, and Mr. Karcher.

### Harrold W. M. S. Meets In Home of Mrs. Oliver

Mrs. W. W. Oliver was hostess to the Women's Missionary Society of the Harrold Methodist Church at her home Monday afternoon.

Mrs. W. H. Holt opened the meeting with prayer, and Miss Irby Cocke conducted the Bible study from "Jesus' Use of the Scripture" by Henry C. Sprinkle, Jr. The chapters entitled "Guidance of Life's Choices" and "A Program for Redemption" were reviewed. Mrs. F. V. Stout, Mrs. W. H. Holt, and Miss Edna Stephens read scripture selections, and the group was dismissed by repeating the Lord's Prayer in unison.

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## CITIZENS OF CAIRO RETURN

### FLOOD DANGER PASSES AS MAYOR GIVES ORDER TO WAITING REFUGEES

Cairo, Ill., Feb. 10. (AP)—Residents were moving back into Cairo today, confident the menace of flood has passed.

Mayor August Bode last night revoked the edict forbidding the return of women, children and aged persons, evacuated when flood waters of the Ohio threatened to inundate the city. Sheriff Lloyd Oller recalled guards patrolling highways. "They may return at their own risk," Mayor Bode said, "if they are self supporting." Relief camp refugees must await a proclamation to be issued soon.

The announcement was the signal for hundreds of men to leave in automobiles to return their families from nearby towns. Bus lines announced resumption of regular schedules today.

### OFFICER CALLS BLUFF OF PRISONER WITH TOY GUN

Denver, Feb. 10. (AP)—A prisoner who tried to bluff his way to freedom with a wooden gun, failed because a deputy sheriff dared to fight for the weapon.

"If I'd had a real gun I would have made it," asserted the prisoner, John Smalley, 27, who is facing a life sentence as an habitual criminal. "I'll tell the world I thought it was a real gun," said Marvin Greene, the deputy sheriff.

Greene seized Smalley, hurled him to the floor and wrestled with him for the gun. Only after he obtained it did he learn it was a toy.

### USED CAR REGULATION IS PROPOSED IN BILL

Austin, Feb. 10. (AP)—Power to regulate the used car business would be given Texas cities and municipalities in a Senate bill introduced Tuesday.

The proposal, by Senator H. L. Winfield of Fort Stockton, would permit cities to issue licenses to bona fide used car dealers in an effort to curb the practice of selling stolen automobiles, dismantling them and selling parts and accessories and halting the sale of unsafe second-hand motor vehicles.

### Court Reform Bill.

Hartford, Conn., Feb. 10. (AP)—The State House of Representatives, controlled by Republicans, adopted a resolution Tuesday calling on Connecticut's Congressional delegation to oppose the President's conditional proposal to enlarge the United States Supreme Court. The House approved the resolution backed by the Republican steering committee, by a roll call of 158 to 99.

### Black-Draught For Clean System Helps To Prevent Sickness

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### Mentioned as New Court Justices



### INJURIES RECEIVED IN STRIKE BASIS OF SUIT

Gulfport, Miss., Feb. 10. (AP)—An alleged act of violence at Port Arthur, Texas, during the seamen's strike last November was the basis of a \$3,000 damage suit filed here Tuesday against the Texas Company petroleum products distributors.

T. R. Sykes, plaintiff, based his claim for damages on the allegation he was set up and injured by striking seamen at Port Arthur shortly after he had registered with the defendant company as an employee on its steamer "Dunigan."

He was to be carried, he claimed, by defendant company's agents in a truck from Port Arthur to Galveston to obtain his "A" ticket from the customs house, but after leaving the customs house at Port Arthur was the object of an assault by picketing seamen.

Sykes maintained it was the duty of defendant company to protect him from injuries of this character.

Diet Meeting Again Delayed. Tokyo, Feb. 10. (AP)—The newly-formed cabinet of Premier Senjuro Hayashi decided today to ask Emperor Hirohito to prolong suspension of the diet until Sunday to give the ministers more time to study pending budget and legislative measures. (The diet was suspended originally during the constitutional crisis while the new cabinet was being organized, then continued in abeyance to give it an opportunity to map its program.)

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# CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

CRIME FILE  
ON  
BOLITHO BLANE

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BEGIN HERE TODAY

Boarding CARLTON ROCKSAVAGE'S yacht, GOLDEN GULL, off Miami, to investigate the disappearance of BOLITHO BLANE, British financier and Rockavage's chief competitor in world soap trade, Detective Officer KETTERING finds strange marks on Blane's cabin carpet and blood on the curtain.

Kettering examines all passengers including NICHOLAS STODART, Blane's secretary; Rockavage and his daughter FERRI; LADY WELTER; REGINALD and MRS. JOCELYN, Lady Welter's daughter and son-in-law; the BISHOP OF BLADE; COUNT LUIGI POSODINI and INOSUKE HAYASHI.

Kettering finds in preliminary interviews that Rockavage sought a merger with Blane to save their companies; that Lady Welter is heavily interested; that Hayashi Japanese agent, sought desperately to sell, either Blane or Rockavage, a huge soap monopoly; that Posodini was an ex-convict; that the Bishop was involved in an unsavory army scandal; that Rockavage's former partner died mysteriously in his office.

Later, Stodart details to Kettering his life as secretary to Blane.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY

CHAPTER XIII  
DETECTIVE OFFICER KETTERING'S FOURTH REPORT, CONTINUED.

This morning, immediately I received the outside information upon various members of the party I proceeded to a new analysis of the situation and composed a fresh draft of possible motives.

POSSIBLE MOTIVES, 9-1-37

MRS. JOCELYN: Nil, as far as is known at the moment.

COUNT POSODINI: Nil, as far as is known at the moment, but the count is now identified as the ex-

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MISS ROCKSAVAGE: Nil, as far as is known at the moment.

I then proceeded to re-examine the whole party.

DETECTIVE OFFICER NEAM'S SHORTHAND NOTES OF DETECTIVE OFFICER KETTERING'S SECOND EXAMINATION OF COUNT POSODINI.

K: Good morning, Count.

P: Hello, Hallo, still busy Mr. Sherlock Holmes.

K: Very busy indeed, Mr. Daniels.

P: Well, now, just fancy your people being as quick off the mark as all that.

K: You don't deny it?

P: What's the use, friend? I kept up the little bluff yesterday because I had half a hope that you might lay your hands on the man who gave Blane his right-away. Then I could have gone back to business without any sort of trouble from you folks at all, but it was only half a hope and I knew that if you didn't get your man you'd pick it up that the Count stuff was all hooey by today.

K: Well, that's frank, anyhow.

P: I don't know nothing, I swear by Almighty God.

K: Cut it, Slick, cut it. You're in a spot. You know that, don't you?

P: So that's the line, is it—trying to frame me, are you?

K: Not a bit of it. I want your help, that's all.

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## 'PHONE LINE FAILS TROTZKY

NEW YORK AUDIENCE GETS WRITTEN ADDRESS AFTER WIRE TROUBLE

New York, Feb. 10. (P)—Failure of efforts to bring Leon Trotzky's voice by telephone from Mexico City sent some 6,000 of his supporters home in disappointment early today, forced to be content with a reading of a fiery address the Russian exile airmailed in advance.

The former Soviet Commissar of War sweepingly denounced the Kremlin in his prepared speech and dramatically offered to surrender to Soviet executioners if an impartial commission found him guilty of crimes imputed to him by Moscow courts.

He predicted inevitable doom for the "new aristocracy" of the Stalin regime, and reiterated his innocence of what he called "absurd" and "frightful" conspiracies attributed to him in the recent trial of 17 Russians, 18 of whom were executed.

Only confused sounds came from the amplifiers in the Hippodrome at 10:10 p. m. when Trotzky was to begin speaking.

Telephone company officials here said they knew only that there were difficulties on the line south of the Mexican border.

### HEARING IN BEATING OF WOMAN IN DENVER OPENS

Cleveland, Feb. 10. (P)—Common pleas Judge Samuel H. Silbert opened today the trial of James A. Jordan, 28, of Texarkana, Ark., a paroled convict charged with assaulting a 34-year-old Denver woman in a downtown hotel Dec. 8 with intent to kill.

Assistant County Prosecutor John J. Mahon said the State contends Jordan and the woman met on a bus bound for New York, that Jordan induced her to go to a hotel to await bus connections and that he beat her on the head with a pistol when he discovered \$120 missing from his wallet.

Jordan is held in county jail in \$10,000 bond. He is on parole from the St. Cloud, Minn., penitentiary to which he was committed for grand larceny. Mahon said he also is wanted on an embezzlement charge at Baton Rouge, La.

### U. S. COURT ORDER WOULD ALLOW REMOVAL OF OIL

Dallas, Feb. 10. (P)—A Federal Court ruling was on file today granting permission to remove 110,000 barrels of oil alleged to have been produced in excess of proration allowable.

Judge T. Whitfield Davidson made the decision in the suit of Angus Spear against Thomas D. Humphreys and others, including the Texas Railroad Commission and Attorney General, but ordered that the oil not be removed pending filing of notice of appeal. States attorneys had said an appeal would be made.

### 13-YEAR-OLD WIFE COMMENTS ON MARRIAGE

Vallejo, Calif., Feb. 10. (P)—Teenage-year-old Mrs. Florence Hill Rudd, who expects to become a mother in April, thinks nine-year-old Mrs. Eunice Johns of Tennessee is too young for marriage.

"Why, she's just a baby," declared the blue-eyed Mrs. Rudd, who married William Rudd, 22, Vallejo lumber company employee, last September 14—three days after her thirteenth birthday.

"That little girl," she added, "won't know anything about marriage for years and years."

### DALLAS OIL OPERATOR AND 11 EMPLOYEES ARE FINED

Tyler, Tex., Feb. 10. (P)—Federal Judge Randolph Bryant Tuesday fined Roy and Wallace Jenkins, Dallas oil operators, and 11 employees, including two nephews, a total of \$15,000 for making false affidavits to the Federal Tender Board at Kilgore.

All with the exception of Roy Jenkins, president of the Jenkins Oil Co., were given jail sentences suspended on condition the fines were paid.

Clemency was recommended in the case of the company president because of his age and health, examiners for the Federal petroleum agency said.

### PORT ARTHUR MERCHANT INDICTED IN MURDER CHARGE

Orange, Texas, Feb. 10. (P)—H. Y. P. Broussard, 48-year-old Port Arthur merchant, was indicted Tuesday on murder charges by the Orange County grand jury in connection with the slaying of Etaine Richard and Albert Theriot, trappers, last week.

At habeas corpus hearing District Judge F. P. Adams allowed Broussard \$7,500 bond in each case. His trial was set for Feb. 22. Claiming he had been attacked, Broussard surrendered and led officers to the bodies of the men in the Neches River marshes.

### BILL PROPOSES TO CORRECT "CERTAIN EVILS" IN LOBBYING

Austin, Feb. 10. (P)—The House criminal jurisprudence committee refused Tuesday to approve a bill which would require any person receiving a fee for lobbying to register and pay a \$5 filing fee.

Representative J. Carroll McConnell of Palo Pinto, the author, admitted lobbying could not be prevented but claimed his bill would correct "certain evils."

### Court Plan Approved.

Denver, Feb. 10. (P)—The Colorado House of Representatives endorsed Tuesday, President Roosevelt's proposal to reorganize the Federal judiciary. A resolution, urging the State's Congressional delegation to help expedite the President's plan, was adopted 38 to 23.

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## French Emissary of Good Will to U. S.



Mme. Madeleine de Charpin of Paris extending to Grover Whalen message of greeting from the French nation to the people of the United States and wishes for the success of the New York World's Fair of which Mr. Whalen is President. Mme. Charpin also extended a cordial invitation to Mr. Whalen and his countrymen to attend the Paris 1937 International Exposition which opens in May. She was selected recently as Queen of Queens of France at the historical festival of St. Catherine. Her title dates back 500 years.

## SOUTH PLAINS LAND OPENED

### SURVEY REVEALS 50,000 ACRES BROKEN FIRST TIME IN REGION

Lubbock, Feb. 10. (P)—More than 50,000 acres of new land will be broken on the South Plains this Spring, a check on landowners by the Avalanche-Journal shows. Plowing of the new land began late last Fall and will continue through March.

"Seed" land being put into cultivation falls into two classes. First, large acreage being sold for settlement, and, second, owners having 50 or more acres in pasture or unbroken land, deciding to put it into cultivation.

In Lubbock County, more than 20,000 acres will be broken by April 1. On the McCrummen Ranch near Wofforth 16,000 acres are being sold in tracts and will be plowed. Two tracts near Shallowater will be broken; S. E. O'Neill of Lubbock will farm five sections for the first time; and seven or eight sections owned by the Texas Land and Mortgage Company will be improved and cultivated. Many farmers are adding from 25 to 400 acres to their cultivated land.

H. D. Chipley placed 10,000 acres near Oasis, a townsite on the State line 10 miles west of Morton, Cochran County, on the market. He reopened a townsite on the Bledsoe Ranch of the Santa Fe and plans to cultivate the surrounding acreage. The Campbell and C. C. Slaughter ranches are other large areas seeing the plow for the first time.

The Resettlement Administration has an option on about 10,000 acres in Hockley and Cochran counties for additions to the Rosopsey colony. Sixty-seven lots of 120 acres each are to be added if the land is taken over. Several large owners in Lamb and Hockley counties are selling new land along with their cultivated farms, generally in tracts of 177 acres.

The famous Childress County school lands in Bailey County, in tax litigation several years, is being settled. D. C. Beebe has started 10 houses and sold a large number of tracts. Some irrigated land near Muleshoe is being sold. In Parker, Castro, Deaf Smith, Hale, Swisher, and Floyd counties, much land went into wheat last Fall.

Many farmers from nearby States largely Oklahoma, who saved \$500 or more from crops last year, have come here and made payments on quarter sections. They have tools, horses, livestock, and seed, and sufficient food until they make a crop.

### ILLINOIS ACTION CENSORED.

Austin, Feb. 10. (P)—The House of Representatives adopted a resolution Tuesday censuring a proposal by the Illinois Legislature to tax natural gas piped from Texas. Rep. G. H. Little of Amarillo, the author, said the tax would be a boycott on Texas gas and "if anybody was to tax such gas Texas should do it."

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